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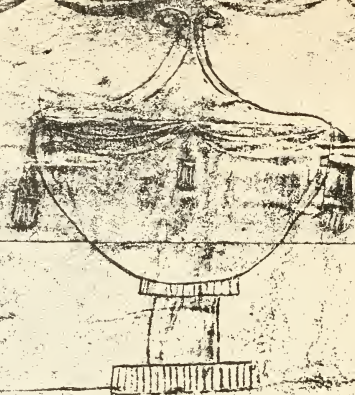
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In memory of
John m'combs

DIED

February 27, 1822.

Aged 75 years.

WITBORN

JOHN McCOMBS
FAMILY.

From 1747 to 1897.

By JOHN CLARK WARD,
Great Grandson.



CHICAGO, 1897.

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PREFACE.

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The outline of this history was prepared in 1892 and was prompted by a remark, "Where are my great-grand parents buried?" No definite answer was given. I at once sought and found the graves of my ancestors, the lives of whom form the foundation of this work, bearing in mind this truthful saying:

"Are we so soon forgotten?"

I made a pencil tracing of the crumbled head-stone which presents the crude lettering of early days. It is of flagstone and of short duration. By constantly writing the kindred I have succeeded in giving a complete history, save the family of Elizabeth. In latter years there has been no inclination to keep perfect family records. The grand-children know nothing of their predecessors and no sweeter remembrance exists in the mind of a child than that of being with grand-parents—even words spoken or slight incidents during the lives of the aged people.

Personalities are eliminated which to children might be pleasing but their omission is deemed best, for this volume is but a private work.

Personal descriptions in most instances are from my own recollection, and to be without any would serve to make it less interesting.

I hope that a perpetual record will be kept now that the lineage is prepared for that purpose.

JOHN CLARK WARD.

CHICAGO, August, 1897.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

BY SUCCESSIVE YEARS, FROM 1747 TO 1897.

<i>Births.</i>	<i>Mar'ges.</i>	<i>Deaths.</i>	<i>Births.</i>	<i>Mar'ges.</i>	<i>Deaths.</i>	<i>Births.</i>	<i>Mar'ges.</i>	<i>Deaths.</i>			
1747....	1	0	0	1830....	3	0	1	1867....	5	1	0
70....	0	1	0	31....	3	1	1	68....	5	1	2
72....	1	0	0	32....	1	0	0	69....	3	0	1
75....	1	0	0	33....	2	0	0	70....	2	2	2
77....	1	0	0	35....	4	0	0	71....	6	4	1
82....	1	0	0	36....	2	2	0	72....	4	3	1
84....	1	0	0	37....	3	2	0	73....	6	4	2
86....	1	0	0	38....	3	0	0	74....	3	0	4
1789....	1	0	0	39....	2	1	1	75....	5	1	0
1802....	0	1	0	40....	2	1	0	76....	7	1	3
03....	1	1	0	41....	3	1	1	77....	2	5	2
04....	0	1	0	42....	6	1	1	78....	7	5	1
06....	2	0	0	43....	5	1	2	79....	3	4	1
07....	1	0	0	44....	3	1	0	80....	12	2	2
08....	1	0	0	45....	7	2	0	81....	3	2	2
09....	1	1	0	46....	4	0	1	82....	7	5	2
10....	1	1	0	47....	4	1	2	83....	5	0	0
11....	4	0	0	48....	7	0	1	84....	4	2	0
13....	3	0	1	49....	5	0	5	85....	10	3	1
14....	1	1	0	50....	4	2	1	86....	5	6	3
15....	2	0	0	51....	5	2	1	87....	12	0	3
16....	2	0	0	52....	7	2	0	88....	4	2	1
17....	1	0	0	53....	5	0	1	89....	7	1	2
18....	2	1	1	54....	10	0	1	90....	9	1	3
19....	2	0	1	55....	5	0	0	91....	10	3	8
20....	1	0	0	56....	2	1	0	92....	7	0	0
21....	1	0	1	57....	3	2	1	93....	5	1	5
22....	3	0	1	58....	9	0	0	94....	3	1	0
23....	0	2	0	59....	4	1	1	95....	6	1	3
24....	4	0	3	60....	3	1	0	96....	1	1	1
25....	4	0	0	61....	3	1	1	1897....	1	1	0
26....	1	1	1	62....	6	1	3				
27....	2	1	1	63....	4	0	4				
28....	2	0	3	64....	4	1	0				
1829....	2	0	1	65....	0	4	1				
				1866....	4	3	2				

RECAPITULATION

OF DIRECT DESCENDANTS FROM 1747 TO 1897.

TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS.....	373
Males.....	202
Females.....	171
Married	109
Unmarried	91
TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS.....	102
Unmarriageable age	55
Marriageable age.....	52
Infants.....	40
2 to 12 years.....	13
13 to 20 years.....	2
21 to 35 years.....	13
36 to 50 years.....	14
51 to 65 years.....	8
66 to 95 years.....	17

John McCombs Family.

JOHN McCOMBS.

The most definite history we have been able to learn of the subject of this work is from the autobiography of his son John, which is given in full. It appears that all of the children were born at or near Pequa, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania; that John and Elizabeth Marshall, who became his wife, came to this country about the year 1770 from Ireland, but both were born in Scotland, as is evidenced by the customs, songs that were sung by their grandchildren, the traits of character, strict habits—all prove the true type of the Scotsman. The families intimate with the McCombs in Ohio were the Stewarts, Marshalls, McClellands, McFarlands and McKinley, (parents of the President of the United States at this writing,) most of whom came from Washington County, Pennsylvania, with John and his family.

While they lived in Pennsylvania we find that John was an agriculturalist and dairyman of the highest order, possessing the finest blooded stock. The same degree of pride was manifested in Ohio by his sons and grandsons from the year 1800 to 1860, at which time the settlement of the western territories and the civil war from 1861 to 1865 diverted their attention to commercial and professional pursuits and today but very few of the descendants are agriculturalists.

We also find that John has been a soldier in the Revolutionary War of 1776 and received depreciation pay up to the first day of January, 1781, as shown by the records of the State Librarian at Harrisburgh, Pa. This fact entitles the descendants to membership in the societies of Sons and Daughters of the Revolution.

John and his entire family moved from Washington County, Pa., in 1800, to Poland township, Trumbull (now Mahoning) County, Ohio. He and his son William purchased a tract of land, the first taxes in 1803 being 40 cents. John, Jr., purchased another tract at the same time paying the first taxes in the sum of 20 cents. Youngstown, founded by John Young, was the headquarters for making titles to the land then owned by the Connecticut Company, known as the Western Reserve, extending from a line east of the Cuyahoga River thence 68 miles to the Pennsylvania line in the vicinity of Sharon, with a width from north to south of 60 miles.

The best evidence we have that the pioneers of Poland township were zealous friends of education is the knowledge that a school was established at once, and in 1803 a debating society met evenings at the several log cabins in this wilderness, among the participants are the names of William and Robert McCombs, and James Adair, who married Elizabeth McCombs. These meetings justly fitted the young men for public service which was afterwards attested.

John and Joseph were more inclined to commercial affairs, and sought the more thrifty towns. Joseph was in business in Poland in 1812. These two brothers finally located in Pittsburgh, while the rest of the family remained in Ohio as farmers, raising stock, clearing timber, setting out fruit trees brought from Washington County. The soil was the finest in the State. In a few years large barns were erected and the frame work, made of foot-square hewed oak timber, was strong enough to bear the burden of hundreds of bushels of choice winter wheat, barley and oats on one side of the barn, while the other side had a hay mow filled to the clapboards shingles on the roof with timo-

thy hay. Nothing but choice seeds were brought from Pennsylvania. The Rambeau water-core apple was the first introduced, which is a hardy fruit, and there stands today on the high bank of the Meander Creek on the John Battles farm a tree of 2½ feet diameter. The sapling was carried on horseback from Washington County by Mrs. Wm. Dunlap in 1800, and looks as healthy as the sturdy oak. The cellars were well filled with apples, cider and vegetables, the lofts with hickorynuts, walnuts, chestnuts, hazelnuts and butternuts. The loom, spinning-wheel and the accoutrements at the old homestead of William are evidence of primitive days. The light blue paper in one of the rooms of William's house, where his mother spent her last days, is of an irregular pattern, in short is a brush-made, water-color wall paper.

In stature JOHN MCCOMBS was about 5 feet 6 inches, broad shoulders, medium complexion, brown eyes, strong, well built frame, energetic, positive, systematic and orderly in all of his transactions, and a Presbyterian in his religious belief. Forty-three years ago, at the age of nine, I was in the immediate section originally settled by this family, having a retentive memory, observing, I had opportunity to witness the progressive qualities, and with pride must state that for force of character, honesty and sobriety THE NAME MCCOMBS IS COMMENDABLE.

Portraits of John and Elizabeth were never taken, the daguerreo-type (M. Daguerre,) was not introduced there until 1840, and then but little used. From information derived from relatives, the picture of William shows a type of the paternal; baldness of hair I never saw in any succeeding families. The forehead, eyebrows, temples and eyes I have found to be prevalent. The picture of Joseph is perfect, but is taken at a more advanced age than that of William. The picture of John is copied from a small photograph which was made at a time when the chemical preparation of paper was defective, not lasting, and the toning improperly set. The perspective does an injustice. I have endeavored, by an enlarged solar type and India ink drawing, to reproduce a more vivid picture, and it should be borne in mind that comparison cannot be made with the others owing to the reasons stated.

As to the spelling of the name there is a diversity of opinion. The word MAC is abbreviated to Mc, and I have seen it written M' but am convinced that it was originally MACCOMBS. People in speaking of a family would say the MACCOMBSES, making a possessive to imply that it was the MACCOMBS' family spoken of. Joseph regarded the final s a mere stroke of the pen and his family abandoned it. Therefore the title to the work is given as a majority write it.

The present garden spot on the original homestead shows the site of the log house and fragments of the tall stone chimney used in the colonial days, and across the road stands the large frame barn.

ELIZABETH (MARSHALL) MCCOMBS.

ELIZABETH (MARSHALL) MCCOMBS was a tall, large-framed woman, weighing about 200 pounds. She had a cheerful disposition, and during her latter years took great pride in teaching her grandchildren in the art of needle work and knitting and amused them with stories and incidents of her lifetime. To this day these traditional remembrances are vivid to those reared in the midst of her home. The bible was her constant companion, in it her name is written, a volume printed in 1793, about 4 by 6½ inches, the leaves browned with time and the edges worn with constant service. She died at the home of William and had survived her husband 17 years. Both are buried in Poland Presbyterian Church yard directly opposite the entrance. The family lot lies at the foot of the sloping plat near the fence.

[NOTE.—The letters a, b, c, d, e, f, preceding a figure indicate a corresponding generation from the first, a, to the sixth, f. All marked c are of the third generation, and d of the fourth generation. A star implies that the year date is approximated.]

a 1. **JOHN McCOMBS,**

Born in Scotland 1747, died in Poland Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, aged 75 years.

Married to **ELIZABETH MARSHALL,**

About the year 1770, at or near Pequa, Lancaster County, Pa.
Born in Scotland, 1748. Died in Poland Township, September 14, 1839, aged 91 years. Children born to them at Pequa:

- b 1. **WILLIAM**, born December 24, 1772, died October 1, 1854, aged 81 years, 9 months.
- b 2. **ROBERT**, born April 14, 1775, died in Weathersfield (Niles), O., November 30, 1843, aged 68 years, 7 months.
- b 3. **JOHN**, born June 13, 1777, died in Pittsburgh, Pa., April 18, 1862, aged 84 years, 10 months.
- b 4. **ELIZABETH**, born September 22, 1782, died in Poland, Ohio, July 15, 1805, aged 22 years, 10 months.
- b 5. **ISAAC**, born February 15, 1784, died in Poland, Ohio, August 18, 1847, aged 63 years, 7 months.
- b 6. **JAMES**, born May 1, 1786, died in Weathersfield, August 23, 1848, aged 62 years, 3 months.
- b 7. **JOSEPH**, born December 6, 1789, died in Pittsburgh, Pa., February 2, 1885, aged 95 years, 10 months.

William McCombs Family.



William H. Corns

WILLIAM McCOMBS FAMILY.

b 1. WILLIAM McCOMBS.

Born December 24, 1772, died in Struthers, Ohio, October 1, 1854.

Was an agriculturalist of great note, occupied several important positions and was an earnest promoter of public and social improvements, being well qualified for doing great good during the early period of the settlement of county and township affairs when there were no civil laws established in that territory. Being the oldest of the children he was naturally instrumental in looking after the affairs of the estate and lived to an age to witness the advancement and prosperous condition of his own family and to care for his aged parents during their last days on earth. William resided on a farm adjoining that of his parents, which will long be remembered as a landmark of the McCombs family who were the first settlers in that wild forest. William and his family were charter members of the Poland Presbyterian Church, the yard of which contain the remains of his parents and immediate family.

Married to SALLIE NELSON, December 9, 1804.

Died June 27, 1863, aged 79 years. This was the first marriage on the Western Reserve. A sister of John and Abram Nelson, of Liberty, Ohio, who came from Virginia about 1803. The descendants of William and Sallie Nelson McCombs hold reunions annually, the one at this writing was held at Girard, Ohio, August 26, 1897. Robert McCombs and John Nelson married sisters, Elly and Margaret (*Peggy*) Stewart.

Children:

c 1. ANN MARIA McCOMBS, born September 22, 1806, died May 24, 1855.

Married to WILLIAM FORBES, November 28, 1823.

d 1 and 2. Two male infants, born August 28, died August 28 and September 11, 1824.

d 3. AMELIA FORBES, born November 20, 1825, died August 2, 1828.

d 4. WILLIAM HAZARD FORBES, born July 4, 1828.

Married to ABIGAIL LOUISA JASPER, February 19, 1857.

Residence, Highland, Kansas.

e 1. REBECCA JANE FORBES, born February 15, 1858.

e 2. EDDIE DOUGLAS FORBES, born May 28, 1860, died April 12, 1862.

e 3. THURSA ANN FORBES, born October 8, 1863.

d 5. ROBERT WASHINGTON FORBES, born December 24, 1829, died August 15, 1830.

d 6. SARAH ANN FORBES, born December 29, 1835, died July 21, 1871.

Married to WILLIAM B. PAYNE, 1852.

e 1. WILLIAM B. PAYNE, born May 17, 1854.

Married to EDNA GRAVES, April 27, 1880.

e 2. VIVIAN MARIE PAYNE, born December 17, 1868.

Was graduated from University at Highland, Kansas, and taught school until the time of her marriage. After her marriage her husband practiced law at Great Bend, Kansas, having been a student at Paris, Illinois.

Married to JESSE RICHCREEK, November 18, 1886.

f 1. EUGENE RICHCREEK, born November 25, 1887, died October 5, 1895.

f 2. RALPH WM. RICHCREEK, born July 28, 1889.

f 3. LESLIE FORBES RICHCREEK, born December 6, 1890, died March 26, 1891.

f 4. LEONARD RICHCREEK, born August 12, 1892.

d 7. DAVID CALVIN FORBES, born June 12, 1836, died December 7, 1865.

d 8. BENJAMIN NELSON FORBES.

Born December 25, 1838. Moved to Minnesota in 1844 and back to Ohio in 1856 where he attended school. Went to Pike's Peak in 1860, enlisted in First Colorado Cavalry in 1862, was in business at Iowa Point, Kansas, 1868; Highland, 1873; Wathena, 1880. Was postmaster and a member of the school board at Wathena, Kansas, 1885-9.

Married to FRANCES C. JESSEE, September 24, 1872.

e 1. WILLIAM CLYDE FORBES, born September 26, 1873, died September 13, 1874.

- e 2. CLINTON DOUGLAS FORBES, born March 2, 1875.
- e 3. EDWIN CALVIN FORBES, born August 22, 1876.
- e 4. PEARL MARIE FORBES, born September 19, 1878.
- e 5. BENJ. FRANCIS FORBES, born February 6, 1883.
- e 6. JESSEE FRAZER FORBES, born May 25, 1884.
- e 7. ANNIE FORBES, born August 7, 1886.
- e 8. GEORGE THOMAS FORBES, born November 20, 1889.
- e 9. WYLIE HAZARD FORBES, born January 15, 1892.
- d 9 and 10. Two infant girls, born March 20, died March 21, 1841.
- d 11. REBECCA MARIA FORBES, born March 15, 1842, died May 28, 1873.

Married to — NETTERFIELD, 1866.

- e 1. MAUDE FORBES NETTERFIELD, born Oct. 21, 1868.
- e 2. MABEL CLAIR NETTERFIELD, born April 9, 1871.
- d 12. JAMES JACKSON FORBES, born January 24, 1844, died August 24, 18—.

- c 2. JOHN NELSON McCOMBS, born October 5, 1807, died April 21, 1886, at Champion, Ohio.

Was about five feet eight inches in height, fair complexion and of a cheerful disposition. In 1837 he moved to Champion where he cleared up a fine dairy farm upon which he lived until his death. After the death of his first wife he married her sister. He was a charter member of the Presbyterian Church at that place, of which William (son of b 3 John), McCombs was Moderator, in April, 1839. In 1880 John N. erected a saw mill and did a large business.

Married to JANE V. SCOTT, December 28, 1835, who died January 1, 1846.

- d 1. MARY JANE McCOMBS, born October 2, 1836.

Married to JOHN B. BROWN, October 17, 1865, who died October 12, 1876.

Residence, Loraine, Ohio.

e 1. WILL McCOMBS BROWN, born July 3, 1867.

Married to ELLA MAY KNAPP, July 2, 1890.

f 1. EDWARD CONGDEN BROWN, born June 10, 1891.

e 2. LILLIE CLARE BROWN, born May 5, 1871.

d 2. WILLIAM SCOTT McCOMBS, born November 29, 1839.

Enlisted in 14th Ohio Battery August, 1861. Has been identified with the lumber trade from boyhood. About 5 feet 9 inches, broad shoulders, fair complexion.

Married to JANE E. CHRISTIE, August 28, 1866.

Residence, Lowell, Ohio.

e 1. FRED CHRISTIE McCOMBS, born November 5, 1871.

e 2. JOHN McCOMBS, born Aug. 28, 1880, died Dec. 28, 1882.

d 3. LAURA E. McCOMBS, born July 18, 1843.

Married to HENRY A. WEISS, September 18, 1868.

e 1. Infant son, born July 18, died August, 1869.

e 2. FRANK A. McCOMBS, born February 15, 1871.

e 3. CARL H. McCOMBS, born January 3, 1873.

c 2. J. N. McCombs married to LAURA E. SCOTT, May 20, 1847.

d 1. SARAH V. McCOMBS, born May 28, 1848.

Married to WILLIAM H. CRAWFORD, April 2, 1872, who died August 1887.

e 1. GRACE LOUISE CRAWFORD, born January 3, 1873.

e 2. MABEL CRAWFORD, born March 19, 1875.

e 3. FRED C. CRAWFORD, born September 28, 1880.

d 2. ELLIOTT J. McCOMBS, born February 24, 1851, died March 17, 1861.

d 3. CHARLES C. McCOMBS, born Sept. 30, 1856.

Married to RILLA M. MANSFIELD, Sept. 1879, who died Jan. 12, 1883.

Married to LILLIE SMITH, April 24, 1884.

e 1. MABEL MAY McCOMBS, born March 31, 1885.

e 2. FRANK J. McCOMBS, born Jan. 11, 1891.

d 4. LILLIAN McCOMBS, born Dec. 2, 1858.

Married to CLINTON MIKESELL, Jan. 6, 1886.

e 1. FLORENCE MARIE MIKESELL, born Dec. 4, 1889.

c 3. CALVIN McCOMBS, born Nov. 10, 1809, died in Lowellville, O., March 31, 1896.

He conducted business at Lowellville from boyhood. First a carpenter, broom manufacturer, kept a general store, operated lime quarries and flour mill. He was a pleasant and unassuming man, shrewd and fair in all his dealings. He, like his uncle Joseph, died while sitting in a chair.

Married to NANCY JANE HUNTER, Jan. 1, 1850, who died June 2, 1857.

Married to SARAH A. MEEKER, Aug. 26, 1858.

c 4. ELIZA McCOMBS, born Oct. 20, 1811, died Nov. 29, 1881.

Married to JOHN McFARLAND, Oct. 10, 1837.

d 1. WILLIAM C. McFARLAND, born Sept. 24, 1838.

Was born in Lawrence County, Pa. He received his education at Poland (O.) Academy and Westminster College, and for two years thereafter was engaged in teaching school in the vicinity of Versailles, Ky., after which he took up the study of law at the Union Law College and was admitted to the bar in 1862. He entered the United States government service in 1864, and was engaged in the quartermaster's department of the army until the close of the war when he returned to Cleveland and resumed his law practice. In 1872-3 he represented the City of Cleveland in the Ohio Legislature. He has pursued a general line of practice and has made a special study of commercial and corporation law in which departments he has no superior and has made for himself a good record, both at *nisi prius* and chambers. His printed speeches are excellent and his letters descriptive of his travels in Europe prove him to be a literary man of ability. In stature he is 5 feet 11 inches, broad shoulders and dark complexion.

d 2. AMELIA McFARLAND, born June 4, 1842.

Married to JOHN ARREL, Jan. 13, 1877.

Residence, Poland, O.

e 1. OLIVE GRACE ARREL, born Dec. 22, 1880.

e 2. JAMES THADDEUS ARREL, born June 1, 1882.

d 3. EDWIN McFARLAND, born October 28, 1844.

Enlisted in 1863 in Company C, Department Corps of Pennsylvania Infantry.

Married to ALICE STOOPS, Dec. 7, 1882.

Residence in Lawrence County, Pa., on the original McFarland lands, at the State line of Ohio and Pennsylvania. Address, Lowellville, O.

e 1. KATE ALICE McFARLAND, born August 27, 1884.

d 4. SARAH CATHERINE McFARLAND, born July 30, 1847.

Was a teacher for many years in Cleveland, Ohio.

Residence, Cleveland, O.

d 5. JUDSON McFARLAND, born Dec. 6, 1849, died April 15, 1897.

d 6. JOHN EMMET McFARLAND, born Jan. 3, 1852.

Married to MINNIE GAMBLE, Sept., 1886.

Residence, Wickliffe, Ohio.

e 1. AMY LOUISE McFARLAND, born June 25, 1890.

e 2. WILLIAM EMMET McFARLAND, born Aug. 23, 1895.

d 7. OLIVE M. McFARLAND, born July 11, 1854.

Married to CHARLES F. WRIGHT, August 24, 1882.

Residence, Lapeer, Mich.

e 1. EDITH ELIZA WRIGHT, born July 5, 1886.

d 8. ELIZABETH FLORENCE McFARLAND, born March 5, 1858.

Five feet 6 inches in height, 170 pounds, dark hair and eyes. Was graduated at Poland (O.) Union Seminary and taught school for about five years.

Married to A. J. BENTLEY, Sept. 14, 1885.

Banker at Kiowa, Kansas. His father, A. J. Bentley, conducted a banking business at Youngstown, O., and in 1869 established a bank at Niles, under the title of Wick, Bentley & Co.

e 1. CATHERINE ELIZA BENTLEY, born Jan. 22, 1892.

c 5. LUCINDA McCOMBS, born Feb. 19, 1813, died May 28, 1877.

Married to RICHARD J. ELLIOTT, *1837, who died March 18, 1851.

Resided at Champion, O.

d 1. SARAH J. ELLIOTT, born July 30, 1839.

Married to LYMAN S. CLINE, April 18, 1876.

Residence, Niles, O.

d 2. JULIA ELLIOTT, born April 11, 1843.

Married to HORACE SAMUEL PEW, April 18, 1865.

He has been a druggist at Warren, O., for many years. Was a member of the city council in 1881.

e 1. KIRT. ELLIOTT PEW, born April 23, 1866.

e 2. ADELAIDE L. PEW, born January 19, 1871.

e 3. FRED CLINE PEW, born May 28, 1875.

c 6. WILLIAM MORRISON McCOMBS, born February 21, 1816, died September 19, 1891, aged 75 years.

Morrison (the middle name), is the one we all heard when the family was mentioned. He lived to witness the passing away of all the generations prior to his immediate family. The original homestead at Struthers was his last abode. A man well known throughout the Mahoning Valley from the days of the stage coach to the entry of the locomotive at his farm. His home is one of the most pleasant recollections in this history. His widow and children still reside on this farm.

Married to ESTHER RICE, January 4, 1844.

d 1. ALBERT S. McCOMBS, born January 22, 1845.

Married to SUSAN HAMMOND, July 3, 1881.

e 1. ESTHER McCOMBS, born June 9, 1881.

e 2. WILLIAM HAMMOND McCOMBS, born Feb. 2, 1885.

e 3. CALVIN PRESTON McCOMBS, born March 7, 1887.

d 2. WILLIAM McCOMBS, born Feb. 7, 1848.

d 3. CLARA McCOMBS, born October 29, 1849.

d 4. CLARK R. McCOMBS, born April 16, 1858.

c 7. JAMES HOLMES McCOMBS, born (blind) February 13, 1818.

Was educated at the State Institute for the Blind at Columbus, O., and was a student for seven years. Is buried next to the grave of John (a 1) McCombs, his grandfather.

We found a grave marked: Lucinda R., [Reel?] wife of James McCombs, died August 20, 1865, aged 49 years. Do not know whether James H. was married.

- c 8. SALLIE SALINA McCOMBS, born November 23, 1820, died April 14, 1893.

Married to JAMES McCONNELL, June 29, 1842.

The fiftieth anniversary of their marriage was celebrated at their home in Warren, O., in 1892, and was attended by the greatest number of kindred and friends ever witnessed on the Western Reserve.

- d 1. AMANDA McCONNELL, born September 1, 1843, died December 9, 1849.

- d 2. JOHN McCONNELL, born July 21, 1845.

Served in the civil war 1861-5, and was wounded, from which he never recovered.

Residence, Columbus, O.

- d 3. MARIA NANCY McCONNELL, born Feb. 8, 1849.

- d 4. WILLIAM JAMES McCONNELL, born August 12, 1851.

Married to JULIA E. ANDERSON, September 4, 1877.

- e 1. CHARLOTTE MAY McCONNELL, born Nov. 28, 1878.

- e 2. FRANK JAMES McCONNELL, born Nov. 2, 1880.

- d 5. HARRIET AMANDA McCONNELL, born August 7, 1854.

- d 5. FRANK CLARK McCONNELL, born November 24, 1858.

- d 7. HARRY ROBERT McCONNELL, born March 4, 1863.

- c 9. HARRIET McCOMBS, born October 22, 1822, died Feb. 28, 1866.

Was a bright, energetic woman and had a remarkable faculty for training her children to whom she was devoted, and in unpleasant weather was ever mindful of her children at school, sending a conveyance and clothing. The children were a picture of contentment and home was the happiest place in their hearts. Harriet was about 5 feet 5 inches, brown eyes, dark hair and was in appearance a true type of the McCombs.

Married to WILLIAM C. McCONNELL, January 14, 1841.

- d 1. SARAH SALINA McCONNELL, born October 9, 1841.

Married to the late Dr. ANDREW POE McKINLEY, Oct. 18, 1865.

- e 1. GRACE HARRIET McKINLEY, born Oct. 21, 1876.

Residence, Warren, O.

d 2. Infant daughter, born and died July 15, 1843.

d 3. OLIVE HARRIET McCONNELL, born June 29, 1845, died in Cleveland, O., 1893.

About 5 feet 4 inches, dark hair, fair complexion, brown eyes. Was a bright scholar, a good mathematician and always at the head of the classes. The author having attended the same school was also eager for the awards which she invariably received at the commencement exercises. Her father is the oldest pioneer now living in Weathersfield.

Married to CHARLES M. WARNER, (deceased,) Oct. 18, 1865.

e 1. HARRIET EMELINE WARNER, born Dec. 25, 1867.

Married to THOMAS P. ROBBINS, Sept. 8, 1885.

Residence, Cleveland, O.

f 1. THOMAS WARNER ROBBINS, born Nov 27, died Nov. 28, 1887.

f 2. RALPH WARNER ROBBINS, born June 28, died Nov. 9, 1889.

d 4. JOHN TRAVIS McCONNELL, born May 9, 1847.

Married to FANNIE LOUISE CHURCH, Oct. 14, 1873.

Residence, Youngstown, O.

e 1. FRED CHURCH McCONNELL, born June 30, 1877, died Dec. 25, 1887.

e 2. WM. LEAVITT McCONNELL, born Aug. 11, 1881.

d 5. Infant son, born Feb. 10, died March 10, 1849.

d 6. JULIAN WILLIAM McCONNELL, born Oct. 3, 1852.

Married to JENNIE JONES, *1878.

Residence, Niles, O.

e 1. BLANCHE CHURCH McCONNELL, born June 10, 1880.

e 2. GRACE SOPHIA McCONNELL, born Dec. 1, 1883.

e 3. DAVID JULIAN McCONNELL, born March 5, 1885.

e 4. WM. COCHRAN McCONNELL, born June 14, 1890.

d 7. CHARLES McCONNELL, born Nov. 2, 1854.

Married to JENNIE ADALINE CAMPBELL, June 12, 1878.

e 1. JOHN TRAVIS McCONNELL, born March 24, 1879.

e 2. MARK CLEVELAND McCONNELL, born Dec. 26, '81.

e 3. CHARLES CARTER McCONNELL, born Dec. 25, 1883.

e 4. HARRIET EUSEBIA McCONNELL, born Feb. 2, 1885.

e 5. ELIZA JANES McCONNELL, born Dec. 17, 1887.

e 6. PAUL WM. McCONNELL, born Nov. 7, 1891.

d 8. KITTIE HARRIET McCONNELL, born Dec. 1, 1859.

Married to JOHN CARTER, Oct. 31, 1882, who died in 1897.

Residence, Niles, O.

e 1. OLIVE TRUTH CARTER, born July 9, 1885.

e 2. ELLA GERTRUDE, born Feb. 8, 1888.

c 10. ROBERT HENDERSON McCOMBS, born Sept. 1, 1825, died June 30, 1857.

Married to CARLISSA ALLEN.

d 1. One child, name unknown.

Robert McCombs Family.

ADDENDUM.—Since page 8 was printed I received the following letter from the State Librarian of Pennsylvania:

STATE LIBRARY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

JOHN C. WARD, Esq.,

HARRISBURG, PA., September 8, 1897.

85 Fifth Avenue, Chicago.

MY DEAR SIR: In reply to your inquiry of the 28th ult. I find that JOHN McCOMB was commissioned May 10, 1780, Lieutenant of the 5th Company of the 6th Battalion of Cumberland County Militia, commanded by Lieut.-Col. James Dunlop. It seems also a fact that that he must have been in the Pennsylvania Line of the Revolution, January 1st, 1781, as JOHN McCOMB received Depreciation Pay, but neither rank or regiment is given. Yet it is possible that this JOHN McCOMB may be a different man from the first named. I regret that I cannot furnish you more definite information.

Yours with respect,

WILLIAM H. EGLE,

State Librarian.

In a previous letter it was written McCOMBS. DUNLOP is no doubt a relative of WILLIAM DUNLAP who came from Washington County, Pa., at the same time JOHN McCOMBS did, for he was also a charter member of the Poland Presbyterian Church. Clerical errors in the enrollment of troops were fully exemplified in the recent civil war from 1861-5. The evidence I have long been seeking is given in the above letter. Sudden calls for troops placed at once in active service did not give time for making descriptive rolls. Pequea, Lancaster County, is on the east side, and Cumberland County is on the west side of the Susquehanna river in the State of Pennsylvania. It might be inferred from this letter that the State of Maryland was in question where the "Pennsylvania Line" is mentioned. When JOSEPH McCOMB, in 1871, told me that his father was an officer in the Revolutionary War, that would be called *tradition*. I am now satisfied that this is the identical JOHN McCOMBS who is the subject of this volume; and that his male descendants are eligible for membership in the Society of the Cincinnati, organized May, 1783, composed of commissioned officers in the Revolutionary War; for membership in the Society of the Sons of the Revolution, and the female descendants for membership in the Society of the Daughters of the Revolution. These societies form the true spirit of American patriotism, and this little book has been the means of enlisting members into these institutions.

ROBERT McCOMBS FAMILY.

b 2. ROBERT McCOMBS.

Born April 14, 1775, died in Weathersfield, O., November 30, 1843.

Was about 6 feet 2 inches in height, 200 pounds, broad shoulders, dark hair, fair complexion. During his school days at Poland was a member of a debating society. In 1802 was First Lieutenant in Captain Struthers' Company, which was in active service in the war of 1812 enrolled in Ohio. After his marriage he purchased a farm of 104 acres at the mouth of Meander Creek below Niles, O., on the south bank of the Mahoning River, and erected a log house, in which the children, excepting the four youngest, were born. This farm was well timbered, had a fine maple sugar grove and fruit trees. He also owned a farm at Champion, O. His wife survived him 13 years. The homestead is now owned by George C. Campbell, a grandson.

Married to ELLY STEWART, *1809.

Born Feb. 13, 1789, died September 6, 1856, aged 67 years. Was about 5 feet 3 inches in height, blue eyes, of a bright and cheerful disposition, a devoted mother. Born near Huntingdon, Pa. It will be noticed that the name of Ella occurring in this work is in honor of Elly Stewart.

Children:

- c 1. MARY McCOMBS, born April 21, 1811, died at Niles, O., August 24, 1891.

Married to JOHN McCONNELL, April 26, 1836, deceased.

- d 1. JOHN WARREN McCONNELL, born March 1, 1837.

Married to SAMANTHA ALVIRA KERR, March, 1861.

Residence, Williamsburg, Kansas.

- e 1. LUTHER WARREN McCONNELL, born Dec. 18, 1862.

- e 2. JENNIE EMMA McCONNELL, born Jan. 1, 1864.

Married to Dr. GEO. KNOWLTON JANES, Feb. 22, 1888.

Residence, Williamsburg, Kansas.

- f 1. HELEN MARGUERITE JANES, born Dec. 7, 1888.

- f 2. WARREN KNOWLTON JANES, born Sept. 27, '96.

- c 1. Mary McCombs McConnell married to ZACHARIAH KERR
*1847.

d 1. JAMES McCOMBS KERR, born *1848.

Married to LINNIE JANE CESSNA, March 19, 1877.

Residence, Niles, O.

e 1. JAMES BURTON KERR, born April 3, 1878.

e 2. GEORGE KERR, born Oct. 10, died Oct. 25, 1880.

e 3. WM. MANNING KERR, born March 21, 1882.

e 4. JOHN NEWTON KERR, born Sept. 14, 1890.

d 2. MARY ELLA KERR, born April 22, 1850.

d 3. ALEXANDER ZACHARIAH KERR, born *1852.

Married to MARGARET WILLIAMS, *1889.

Residence, Niles, O.

e 1. ROBERT McCOMBS KERR, born *1891,

e 2. WARREN D. KERR, born *1893.

e 3. MARY ELLA KERR, born *1895.

e 4. HOWARD ALEXANDER KERR, born *1897.

d. 4. WILLIAM BENTON KERR, born *1854.

Married to ADALINE LEE, Nov. 25, 1884.

Residence, Chicago, Ill.

e 1. MABEL ETHEL KERR, born Nov. 6, 1885.

e 2. JAMES WARREN KERR, born June 24, 1887.

e 3. ALICE WILLIE KERR, born Feb. 7, 1895.

- c 2. JOHN CLARK McCOMBS, born Nov. 26, 1813, died in British
Columbia, near Vancouver, about 1870, unmarried.

About 5 feet, 9 inches, 160 pounds, black hair, full, heavy beard, gray
eyes. He remained on the farm with his mother until his 36th year, and

in 1849 started for the gold fields in California by the overland route, determined not to return until his fortune was made. Those who accompanied him returned in 1858, some with small fortunes. John finally went to the British Possessions and was engaged in the cattle trade, and when he decided to return to Ohio, in his advanced years, he traveled a short distance and died.

- c 3. ELIZA ANN MCCOMBS, born June 13, 1815, died Nov. 4, 1854, at Wheeling, W. Va.

About 5 feet, 4 inches, 150 pounds, black hair, brunette, brown eyes. Was graduated from Poland Seminary in 1835. Taught school in Niles on the bank of Mosquito Creek near the site of the present High School building. Firm, resolute and possessing influence in training the youth, was remembered as a great benefactor. It was her custom, annually, to make a visit to Niles from Wheeling via the steamboat Diurnal up the Ohio River to Beaver, thence by canal packet boat. The sound of the boatman's horn, announcing the arrival of mail, brought the people of the villages to the landings. The boat raised and lowered in the locks, the beautiful scenery along the towpath, the primitive method of transportation—all these are vivid pictures never forgotten. Mother was surrounded by the kindred before returning home. A grand quilting party, a dozen or more buggies at the barn; a houseful of chattering, laughing people; a long table filled with the best that the farm could produce—this is the recollection of going to see grandmother.

Married to VOLNEY WARD, 1840, died in Cleveland, 1892.

- d 1. MATILDA SCOTT WARD, born March, 1842, died September 10, 1849.

- d 2. JOHN CLARK WARD, born April 13, 1845.

Five feet 8½ inches, 160 pounds, auburn hair, brown eyes, mustache. Born on Quinby Hill, Warren, O. First schooling at First Ward School, Main street, Wheeling, Va. After death of mother attended the William C. McConnell School in Weathersfield, O. Apprenticed with The Mahoning Register, Youngstown, O., 1862. Enlisted in Co. H, 155th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, 1864. With Cincinnati Commercial, 1865. Superintendent Memphis Daily Post, 1866-8. Erected first cylinder presses in Youngstown, 1866, and at Battle Creek, Mich., 1868. Superintendent of railroad printing offices in Chicago, 1868 to 1892. Past Commander Post 425, G. A. R., Illinois. President Cook County Memorial Association. Member of Masonic fraternity since 1868. Established in printing business, 1894, at Chicago.

Married to ROSE LOUISE WALLACE, May 1, 1872:

- e 1. MARIE LOUISE WARD, born July 8, 1873.

About 5 feet 4 inches, light hair, gray eyes, fair complexion. Was graduated from Chicago West Division High School, 1892.

Married to JOHN AUGUSTUS REICHEL'T, Oct. 18, 1893.
Residence, Chicago.

- f 1. RUTH REICHEL'T, born August 31, 1895.
- e 2. WILLIAM WALLACE WARD, born Sept. 8, 1875.
- e 3. EDNA CECELIA (*June*) WARD, born June 21, 1878.
- e 4. ELLA FELICITA WARD, born October 20, 1880.
- d 3. ANNA ELIZA WARD, born April 22, 1850.

Married to LOUIS M. MEEKER, deceased.

Residence, Niles, O.

- e 1. LOUISE ANNA MEEKER, born Feb. 1, 1875.
- d 4. THOMAS CORWIN WARD, born Dec., 1852, died June 25, 1873. Was killed near Mineral Ridge, O., by a freight train of which he was conductor.
- d 5. ELLA MATILDA WARD, born April 9, 1854.

Married to Dr. A. J. LEITCH, Feb. 17, 1881.

Dr. Leitch has extensive medical practice, and has been prominently connected with public affairs, in promoting the welfare of State, county and municipal government.

Residence, Niles, O.

- e 1. HARRIET ELIZABETH LEITCH, born Dec. 13, 1883.
- e 2. ISABELLA PORTER LEITCH, born Dec. 30, 1885.
- e 3. FLORENCE ELLA LEITCH, born Nov. 23, 1887.
- e 4. ALMA GERTRUDE LEITCH, born Aug. 11, 1889.
- e 5. ROBERT ANDREW LEITCH, born Feb. 13, 1891.
- c 4. WILLIAM STEWART MCCOMBS, born Oct. 1, 1817, died Nov. 19, 1863.

Five feet 8½ inches, 150 pounds, black hair, dark brown eyes, full beard. He taught school at Niles, book-keeper for furnace store at that place. In 1851 he shipped a cargo of fruit to Marquette, Mich., which was shipwrecked on Lake Erie. He went to Marquette in 1851, and re-

turned to Ohio in 1852, after which time he made Michigan his home. He resided at the old Jackson Forge, Forestville, and Marquette for 12 years. He was instrumental in the early development of the lumber industry in this vicinity and was operating a saw mill on Dead river at Forestville until his death. Made a master mason in 1859, and much respected by all.

Married to MARGARET REBECCA BENNINGTON, May 16, 1852.

Coming to the iron mining region in 1852, then almost a wilderness, she shared with her husband the privations incident to the opening of a new country. Member of the First Presbyterian Church, Marquette, and is a very devoted mother.

d 1. JOHN CLINGON McCOMBS, born March 12, 1853.

Entered the service of the Marquette, Houghton & Ontonagon R. R. Co. at Marquette, July 14, 1881, in the supply department. July, 1887, to date, foreman of storehouse Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic R'y at Marquette.

d 2. WILLIAM BENNINGTON McCOMBS, born Oct. 29, 1855.

Entered the service of the Marquette, Houghton & Ontonagon R. R. Co. in the train dispatcher's office at Marquette in 1871, as a messenger boy, and successively telegraph operator, relief agent and chief ticket clerk. Appointed general ticket agent 1883, and cashier and paymaster, 1885. At the consolidation of this road with the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Railway in 1887, became accountant and cashier of the Peter White Insurance Agency. November, 1890, accountant First National Bank. June, 1891, to Oct. 1892, accountant Marquette County Savings Bank, and at this writing is assistant cashier of this bank. Member of masonic fraternity, 1883; past master, 1890-1; secretary of chapter, treasurer of commandery, and treasurer of mystic shrine, all at Marquette.

d 3. ELLA ELIZABETH McCOMBS, born January 4, 1858.

Gave early evidence of possessing natural musical ability and became an excellent pianist. Teacher of music and member of First Presbyterian Church, Marquette.

d 4. GEORGE McCOMBS, born Dec. 23, 1862.

Entered the railway service as messenger boy, train dispatcher's office, Marquette, Houghton & Ontonagon R. R., 1878, and has since held the following positions: Telegraph operator, clerk supply department, clerk of freight and ticket office, relief agent, chief clerk Marquette Merchandise Pier, general storekeeper and supply agent, now chief clerk mechanical department Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Railway. Member of masonic fraternity since 1888.

Married to ANNA MAY DEEGAN, Dec 23, 1891.

e 1. MARY MARGARET McCOMBS, born Oct. 20, 1892.

e 2. LOUISE JEAN McCOMBS, born Oct. 10, 1894.

c 5. REBECCA McCOMBS, born Feb. 22, 1819, died in infancy.

c 6. ISAAC WILLIS McCOMBS, born Oct. 22, 1822, died in infancy.

c 7. LUCY JANE McCOMBS, born July 19, 1824.

Married to JOSIAH DUNLAP, deceased, May 20, 1862. *

Residence, Niles, O.

d 1. ELLA EUSEBIA DUNLAP, born Dec. 22, 1866, died Sept. 7, 1868.

c 8. REBECCA McCOMBS, born Feb. 24, 1827, died Oct. 18, 1874.

Married to Dr. LOUIS SEELY BLACHLY, May 9, 1850.

Died at Milliken's Bend, below Vicksburg, in the campaign of 1863. Was assistant surgeon of the 108th Ill. Vol. Infantry, and his widow was kept in a gloom of suspense for nearly a year, as he was taken sick while on a forced march and attended by his comrades until his death. Proof of death was established in the war department after a prolonged search.

Resided at Lodi, Wis.

d 1. LOUIS SEELY BLACHLY, born Aug. 16, 1852.

Five feet $9\frac{3}{4}$ inches, 165 pounds, brown eyes, dark hair, Burnside beard. Formerly a Presbyterian, now deacon of First Congregational Church, Spring Valley, Ill. Born at Prairie du Sauk, Wis. The following spring his parents moved to Okee, remaining four years; thence to Dane for six months. In 1857 they moved to Wyandotte, Kansas, remaining there four years. The sentiment of those allied with the south was so rife that Dr. Blachly moved to Dane in 1861, and the following spring to Lodi, and offered his services as surgeon, appealing to his wife for her permission. Louis remained with his mother, attended school and read medicine until 1873. He went to Colorado, engaged in business and returned in 15 months to Lodi, at the time his mother died. Since then was a drug clerk at Baraboo, Wis., and traveling salesman, 1875; to Niles, O., as drug clerk, 1876; purchased the store, under firm of Moore & Blachly, and dissolved in 1878; after his marriage at Niles, engaged in orange culture in Florida with success; in 1889, traveling salesman for H. J. Heinz Co., Pittsburg; in same year manager of Spring Valley Coal Company's store, purchasing same in 1896.

Married to MARGARET DALZELL, June 29, 1878.

Residence, Spring Valley, Ill.

e 1. MADELINE ST. CLAIR BLACHLY, born June 16, '83.

e 2. MARGUERITE DALZELL BLACHLY, born Oct. 25, 1884.

e 3. LOUIS SEELY BLACHLY, born Aug. 26, 1895.

d 2. EBEN BLACHLY, born May 14, 1854.

Married to ANNA McCONNELL, May 17, 1882.

Residence, Manhattan, Kansas.

e 1. LOUIS DANIEL BLACHLY, born Sept. 3, 1884.

e 2. ELLA BLACHLY, born Dec. 21, 1887.

e 3. ELIZABETH BLACHLY, born Sept. 3, 1889, died Aug. 14, 1890.

e 4. FRED EBEN BLACHLY, born Oct. 24, 1892.

d 3. MARIAN ELLA BLACHLY, born Dec. 11, 1861.

Married to HENRY EDWARD ANDREWS, Sept. 17, 1891.

Residence, Lodi, Wis.

e 1. ELLA GRACE ANDREWS, born May 31, 1894.

c 9. JAMES EBEN McCOMBS, born Dec. 2, 1831.

Married to MARTHA LEAVITT, Dec. 28, 1866.

Residence, Niles, O.

d 1. GRACE MINERVA McCOMBS, born Nov. 27, 1867.

Married to WALTER SCOTT HOFIUS, Oct. 10, 1889.

Residence, Niles, O.

e 1. SCOTT WALTER HOFIUS, born Dec. 25, 1891.

e 2. JAMES HOFIUS, born Dec. 13, 1893.

e 3. MARGARET HOFIUS, born Oct. 8, 1895.

d 2. MARTHA LOUISA McCOMBS, born Oct. 10, 1869.

Married to ELMER RUMMEL, Oct. 1, 1891.

Residence, Niles, O.

e 1. WILLIS RUMMEL, born Aug. 25, 1892.

e 2. LEO LEAVITT RUMMEL, born Dec. 1, 1893.

d 3. JAMES McCOMBS, born Jan. 31, 1871, died March 20, 1891.

d 4. LEAVITT McCOMBS, born Aug. 23, 1873.

Married to ELLA EDWARDS, March 21, 1896.

Residence, Niles, O.

c 10. EUSEBIA NELSON McCOMBS, born April 25, 1833, died Oct. 24, 1895.

Was graduated from Poland Seminary in a class with Ann McKinley, sister of the President of the United States. Taught school until her marriage. A picture of her mother, and held in esteem by all.

Married to CALVIN ST. CLAIR CAMPELL, Nov. 6, 1860, who died Sept. 2, 1865.

Married to WM. C. McCONNELL, March 13, 1878.

Resided at Niles, O.

d 1. GEORGE CALVIN CAMPBELL, born Oct. 17, 1862.

Married to AMY FREDRICKA WILSON, April 28, 1886.

Residence, Niles, O.

e 1. CALVIN WILSON CAMPBELL, born March 10, 1887.

e 2. GEORGE WILLIAM CAMPBELL, born May 16, 1888.

e 3. DUDLEY ST. CLAIR CAMPBELL, born Sept. 3, 1890.

c 11. EBENEZER McCOMBS, born Sept. 18, 1835.

Went to Pike's Peak in 1857, mining and prospecting for six years for gold in Colorado, New Mexico and Montana. Had a contract to furnish ties for the Union Pacific Railroad from Omaha to California. Lived

in Tennessee 14 years. Has resided in Missouri 12 years. Has a fine farm which is well timbered.

Residence, Licking, Texas County, Mo.

Married to LAURA ANN SMITH, Oct. 7, 1875.

d 1. MARY VIOLA McCOMBS, born June 25, 1876.

Married to ISAAC WILLHITE, March 21, 1894.

e 1. ARTHUR HERBERT WILLHITE, born Feb. 18, 1895.

d 2. JOHN GARFIELD McCOMBS, born May 5, 1880, died Oct. 13, 1881.

d 3. CHESTER ARTHUR McCOMBS, born Nov. 28, 1882.

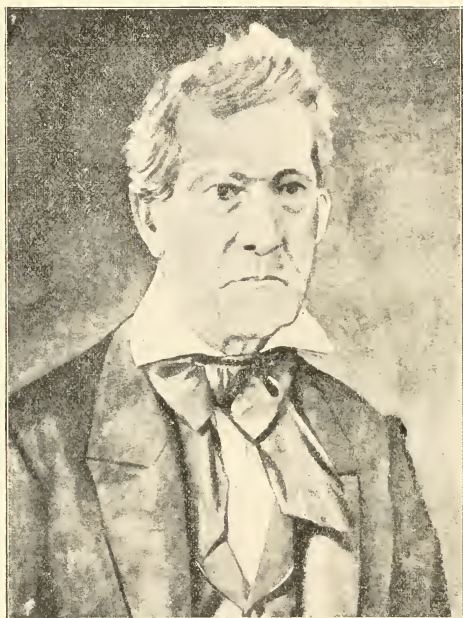
d 4. WILLIAM McCOMBS, born Feb. 13, 1885.

d 5. CHARLES ROBERT McCOMBS, born July 10, 1887.

d 6. LUCY ELLA McCOMBS, born Feb. 25, 1892.

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John McCombs Family.



John W. Combs

JOHN McCOMBS FAMILY.

b 3. JOHN McCOMBS.

Born June 13, 1777, died in Pittsburgh, Pa., April 18, 1862.

Was a man of prepossessing appearance, in stature about 5 feet 9 inches, medium weight and quite muscular. He was active and energetic in all his movements, ambitious by nature, inclined toward the progressive side of life. Was strictly temperate in all things, and as a rule enjoyed perfect health throughout his long life. He was not only scrupulously honest in all his dealings with his fellowmen, but was in the truest sense a consistent Christian gentleman and commanded the respect of all who knew him. The following is his autobiography:

My father and mother emigrated to this country from Ireland, if I do not mistake, in the year 1770, but were not married until after arrival in this country. They united with the Presbyterian Church of Pequea, Lancaster County, Pa., then under the ministry of Robert Blair, D. D., who, I believe, was the founder of the church in its present location. Dr. Blair also established and conducted a grammar school, designed chiefly to prepare young men for the ministry.

I was born in the month of June [13th], 1777, in Lancaster County, Pa., and grew up to manhood in the same county. In the year 1797 my father removed his family to the west and settled in Morganza, in the neighborhood of Cannonsburgh, and remained there six years [1803]. In the year 1800 there was a remarkable revival of religion in Dr. McMillan's church and throughout that section of country. In the course of that year it pleased God in great mercy, as I trust, to produce some saving religious impressions upon my mind which I have never forgotten, and I hope will be abiding to the end.

In the fall of 1802 I was married to Miss Hannah Morrison of Pittsburgh, and in the following spring removed my family to the town of Pittsburgh, where I resided for many years. About this time I set up the family altar as the worship of God in my house, the number of my family being three, myself and wife and an indentured boy. This service I have been able, in my feeble way, to maintain in my family up to this present time, 1859, and hope to continue it to the end of my pilgrimage; and may God grant to all my children, who become heads of families, grace thus to honor God and bless their households. In the same year, 1803, my family united with a small society associated for public worship and mutual edification, which met in private houses, as they had no house of worship.

The following were among the heads of families composing the society: Mr. James Morrison, Mr. William Semple, Mr. William Barrett, Mr. William Gazzain and Mr. Joseph McCullough, with their families and others. These met regularly on the Sabbath for religious services. This small society, feeling desirous of having the gospel preached to them and to have the way prepared for their being, organized into a church, united in an application to the Presbytery for some supplies. Their ap-

plication was finally granted and they were organized under the name of the Second Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh. The first sermon preached to this small congregation was by the Rev. Wm. Wiley. The discourse was very solemn and appropriate to the occasion. During the time of the first stated minister the Rev. Mr. Snowden, my wife and I united with the church by a public and open profession of faith in the adorable Redeemer and have continued in connection with the Presbyterian church. In Mr. Snowden's time I was solicited to officiate as clerk, that is, to lead the singing, or, as it is sometimes called, precentor, and I continued to serve the congregation in this capacity for several years after Mr. Hunt succeeded Mr. Snowden. In Mr. Hunt's time I was elected to the office of ruling elder in the congregation, but owing to timidity and a conviction of my inability to perform aright the duties of that sacred office, I declined being ordained.

Towards the latter part of Rev. Mr. Swift's pastorate in the Second Church of Pittsburgh, having, in 1834, removed our family to a residence purchased within the bounds of Bethany congregation, we became united with that church under the pastoral care of the Rev. Wm. Jeffery. Here we remained for four years. Towards the end of this time, finding it more to our worldly advantage, as we supposed, we purchased property in the village of New Brighton, Pa., and removed to that place in 1838, where we united with the Presbyterian Church there under the pastoral care of Rev. A. Williams. In 1840 we removed from this place to the village of Canfield, Ohio, transferring our relation from the church of New Brighton to the Church of Canfield, at that time under the pastoral care of my son William. Here we remained during the space of five years. Having made a purchase of property in the vicinity of Pittsburgh, contiguous to where my son Norris now resides [Squirrel Hill], we took up our abode there in 1845. Here the pleasant memories of the past with the Second Church in Pittsburgh, which was at that time under the pastoral care of the Rev. Robert Dunlap, who was shortly afterwards called to his reward, leaving the church for a time without an under-shepherd, W. D. Howard, D.D., having succeeded to the pastoral care of the church. We continued to worship for several years with this congregation, in all, if my memory is correct, about nine years. Finding it exceedingly unpleasant to travel four miles to church in all kinds of weather, together with the infirmities of accumulating years, we took our dismissal from the Second Church, with all its hallowed scenes and delightful associations, and united with the church of East Liberty, under the care of Rev. Wm. B. McIlvaine, where we remained until the year 1859, at which time we removed back to New Brighton and again found ourselves in connection with the church of Beaver Falls.

Married to HANNAH MORRISON,

December 2, 1802, died April 18, 1815.

Children:

c 1. WILLIAM MCCOMBS, born Dec. 11, 1803, died 184—

Was a Presbyterian minister. Was at Canfield, O., in 1831, at the

great revival meeting; was made pastor April, 1839, and remained several years. Organized a church at Champion, O., 1839. His name was familiar throughout Ohio. Died at Pittsburgh.

Married to MARY ANN CALDWELL, Oct. 16, 1826.

Married to MARY B. MORGAN.

c 2. ELIZA MCCOMBS, born April 19, 1806, died in Louisville, Ky., June 20, 1849.

Married to ALEXANDER B. SEMPLE, Jan. 2, 1827, who died Nov. 16, 1875.

d 1. WILLIAM SEMPLE, infant, died in Pittsburgh.

d 2. HANNAH SEMPLE, infant, died in Pittsburgh.

d 3. WILLIAM SEMPLE, born Dec., 1830, died in Louisville, July 1, 1894.

Married to CORNELIA SHAW, Brooklyn, N. Y., 1857.

Resided at Louisville, Ky.

e 1. ALEXANDER LATIMER SEMPLE, born July, 1859.

e 2. WILLIAM PERCIVAL SEMPLE, born Feb., 1861.

e 3. CORNELIA SHAW SEMPLE, born April, 1868.

d 4. ANNIE M. SEMPLE, born Oct. 31, 1832.

Residence, St. Paul, Minn.

d 5. ALEXANDER C. SEMPLE, born Feb. 1835.

Married to SARAH F. SLAUGHTER, *1862.

e 1. HARRIET CATHMAR SEMPLE, born *1864.

e 2. GEORGE SEMPLE, born *1866.

e 3. ELIZA MCCOMBS SEMPLE, born *1868.

e 4. CHARLES BACON SEMPLE, born May 3, 1870.

d 6. JOHN McCOMBS SEMPLE, born April, 1837.

Married to EMMA COOLIDGE SMITH.

e 1. PAUL SEMPLE, died in infancy.

e 2. HENRY COOLIDGE SEMPLE.

d 7. EDWARD HUMPHREY SEMPLE, born Aug. 22, 1840.

Married to ELLEN QUIGLEY, Dec. 1867, died Feb., 1868.

Married to MARY EMMA HART, Jan. 26, 1871.

e 1. MARY EMMA SEMPLE, born Nov. 24, 1871.

e 2. FREDERICK HUMPHREY SEMPLE, Dec. 24, 1872.

e 3. ELLEN SEMPLE, born Jan. 1874, died Aug. 1874.

e 4. HARRY RICHMOND SEMPLE, born July, 1875, died Aug., 1877.

e 5. ABBOTT LAWRENCE SEMPLE, born Dec., 1876, died Aug., 1877.

e 6. BERTHA SEMPLE, born Nov., 1878.

e 7. GRACE SEMPLE, born Aug., 1882.

d 8. ELIZABETH SEMPLE, born Feb. 3, 1842.

Married to SAMUEL L. ROBBINS, Cincinnati, Jan. 5, 1864.

e 1. A son, died in infancy.

d 9. CHARLES H. SEMPLE, born March, 1844.

Married to LOUISA GARDNER, St. Louis, Oct. 23, 1873.

e 1. ELIZA SEMPLE, born Nov. 1875, died July, 1876.

e 2. ELOISE SEMPLE, born June, 1877.

e 3. GARDNER SEMPLE, born May, 1879.

e 4. RICHARD SEMPLE, born Oct. 1880.

e 5. GILBERT SEMPLE, born Aug., 1882.

d 10. NORRIS MCCOMBS SEMPLE, died in infancy, 1846.

d 11. HENRY M. SEMPLE, born Jan 17, 1848.

Married to MARY RICHMOND, Woodstock, Vt., Feb. 14, 1877.

e 1. ELIZABETH RICHMOND SEMPLE, born Dec. 1877.

e 2. KATHARINE SEMPLE, born Aug. 1886.

c 3. NANCY MCCOMBS, born Sept. 26, 1808, died March 12, 1893.

Married to WARREN W. MAYNARD.

c 4. MARY MCCOMBS, born Dec. 25, 1810, died April 22, 1893.

c 5. NORRIS MCCOMBS, born March 11, 1813, died in Pittsburgh, April 24, 1887.

Was a farmer for a number of years. Established in the hardware business in Pittsburgh, also in Dubuque, Iowa. Returned to Pittsburgh and remained there until his death. Was a member of East Liberty Presbyterian Church.

Married to ELIZABETH FERREE, *1843.

A descendant of Madame Ferree, (of the French Huguenots,) who came to this country about 1688 and settled on land near Philadelphia given to her by William Penn.

d 1. ANNA LINDA MCCOMBS, born Aug. 25, 1845.

Married to SAMUEL DICKEY.

Residence, Pittsburgh, Pa.

d 2. ELIZABETH MCCOMBS, born *1847.

d 3. SOPHIA MCCOMBS, born *1849.

d 4. MARY FERREE MCCOMBS, born *1851.

d 5. EMMA LOUISA MCCOMBS, born *1853.

d 6. CHARLES ALBERT MCCOMBS, born *1855.

Married to MAGGIE BLACKFORD.

Residence, Wilkinsburg, Pa.

d 7. WILLIAM FREDERICK MCCOMBS, born *1857.

d 8. H. CORNELIA MCCOMBS, born *1859.

d 9. NORRIS FRANK MCCOMBS, born *1861.

c 6. JAMES M. MCCOMBS, born *1815, died in Chicago, Ill.

Was established in the hardware business in St. Louis, and formerly

in Memphis, Tennessee, in the year 1865. Passing his store one morning I called to see him. He was a perfect picture of the McCombs. About 5 feet 8 inches, dark hair, full beard, about 160 pounds, a punctual, energetic business man.

Married to ELIZABETH NASH, Sept. 2, 1845.

d 1. HARRY MCCOMBS, born July 21, 1846, died Oct. 3, 1850.

d 2. WILLIAM M. MCCOMBS, born May 8, 1848.

Married to MAGGIE BAKER, June 26, 1879.

Residence, Grand Rapids, Mich.

e 1. HARRY SYLVESTER MCCOMBS, born March, 1880, died June 7, 1880.

e 2. LESTER JAMES MCCOMBS, born March 15, 1886.

e 3. HARVEY FORSTER MCCOMBS, born Jan. 22, died April 22, 1891,

d 3. FRANK M. MCCOMBS, born Aug. 21, 1852.

Residence, St. Louis.

d 4. KATY R. MCCOMBS, born Dec. 11, 1854.

d 5. LILLIE N. MCCOMBS, born Sept. 10, 1857, died April 11, '95.

b 3. John McCombs, married to MARY FRANCIS,

April 30, 1816, died March 30, 1817. No children.

b 3. John McCombs, married to ELIZABETH MURDOCH,

Feb. 19, 1818, during Mr. Hunt's pastorate of the Second Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh. She was born Nov. 16th, 1795, died October 28, 1878. John McCombs died in New Brighton, Pa., not Pittsburgh.

She was decidedly attractive in appearance, of medium height, slight build, auburn hair, blue eyes, a very bright and animated talker, and always looked on the bright and hopeful side of life. She was a woman of rare intellectual endowments, and in conversation wielded a magnetic influence over the listener that was irresistible. Having read and studied much, her fund of knowledge was wonderful, and her memory of such a retentive character that she rarely, if ever, forgot what she read, and had the remarkable faculty of being able to recall it at a moment's notice. It was a great pleasure for her to read aloud of which she never seemed to tire. Her voice was clear, pronunciation distinct, and but few could equal her in this accomplishment. Socially she had many warm and true

friends to whom she was devoted. She had a kind and encouraging word for all, and a disposition to live peaceably at any cost with every person. Her long and tranquil life fully demonstrated this, for she never had an enemy. She was a pattern mother, a true christian and died full of years beloved and missed by all who were fortunate enough to know her.

Children:

- c 1. JANE McCOMBS, born July 23, 1819, died Sept. 1, 1824.
- c 2. THOMAS McCOMBS, born and died Feb. 5, 1821.
- c 3. HANNAH McCOMBS, born Dec. 1, 1822, died July 12, 1824.
- c 4. ROBERT McCOMBS, born Oct. 23, 1825, died July 8, 1826.
- c 5. JOHN E. McCOMBS, born May 16, 1827, died June 24, 1828.
- c 6. GEORGE F. McCOMBS, born in Pittsburgh, Pa., April 3, 1830.

Of moderate sized figure, height 5 feet 8 inches, 153 pounds, broad and deep chest, long and well moulded head, face cut in regular, positive lines, with brown eyes and heavy brows, gray, crisp hair and mustache; the entire countenance rendered virile by strong set jaws; appearance and bearing marked by decision and energy, without vehemence; temperament equable and not easily disturbed; speech clear, measured and exact. His early education he received at the East Liberty, (Pa.) Academy, and was afterwards graduated from the P. Duff Mercantile College, Pittsburgh, Pa. Upon leaving school entered a wholesale and retail hardware store in the same city, and in due time learned the business and followed it for several years, after which he engaged in various enterprises, with more or less success. Finally he drifted into the field of invention and was granted a number of patents in this and foreign countries. His last important invention, consisting of a power broom sewing machine, was one of great merit and proved to be a financial success, the leading broom manufacturers of this entire country, Canada and Australia adopting it.

Married to ANNIE QUAIL, in Washington Pa., Oct. 30, 1856. Born in Washington, Pa., March 29, 1836.

Moderate weight and size, dark brown hair, light blue eyes, regular cut features, expression bright and animated, temperament sanguine, always inclined to the hopeful side of life, a happy and cheerful disposition and a general favorite. Graduated from the Washington (Pa.) Female Seminary.

Residence, Pittsburgh, Pa.

- d 1. FANNY LOUISA McCOMBS, born in Washington, Pa., Aug. 16, 1857.

Height 5 feet 1 inch, 125 pounds, brown hair, large blue eyes.

Married to MAURICE E. WILSON, D.D., in Washington, Pa., June 19, 1879.

Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Dayton, Ohio.

e 1. ANNA QUAIL WILSON, born in Emsworth, Pa., Dec. 29, 1882.

Five feet, 2 inches, about 95 pounds, light brown hair, light blue eyes.

d 2. JAMES QUAIL MCCOMBS, born in Pittsburgh, Pa. Oct. 10, 1859, died June 14, 1863.

d 3. CLIFFORD F. MCCOMBS, born in Warren, O., Feb. 10, 1862.

Five feet 8¼ inches, 140 pounds, dark brown hair and eyes, mustache; of supple and muscular build. A banker in Pittsburgh.

d 4. BESSIE MCCOMBS, born in Warren, O., June 29, 1864.

Five feet 2 inches, 135 pounds, dark brown hair and large brown eyes.

Married to STEPHEN P. KRETZER, in Allegheny City, Pa., June 11, 1885.

Land and Immigration Agent, B. & O. R. R., Philadelphia.

e 1. GEORGE S. KRETZER, born in Allegheny City, Pa., June 2, 1886, died Nov. 11, 1890.

e 2. BESSIE P. KRETZER, born in Baltimore, Md., Feb. 17, 1891, died June 29, 1891.

d 5. SARA MCCOMBS, born in Washington, Pa., June 13, 1867.

Five feet 3 inches, 110 pounds, brown hair and blue eyes.

Married to ALEX. MURDOCH TEMPLETON, in Allegheny City, Pa., Dec. 12, 1895.

Attorney at Law, Washington, Pa.

d 6. GEORGE F. MCCOMBS, born in Washington, Pa., Jan. 4, 1871, died July 19, 1871.

d 7. ANNA QUAIL MCCOMBS, born in Washington, Pa., June 9, 1872.

Five feet 6 inches, 150 pounds, black hair and brown eyes.

c 7. HARRIET F. MCCOMBS, born Dec. 10, 1831, died May 6, 1891.

Married to WILLIAM MACKEOWN, Feb. 24, 1859, died Dec. 13, 1873.

Resided in Baltimore, Md.

d 1. JOHN MCCOMBS MACKEOWN, born Dec. 31, 1859, died Oct. 4, 1882.

d 2. ANNIE ELIZA MACKEOWN, born Jan. 1, 1862, died Sept. 29, 1863.

d 3. BESSIE MACKEOWN, born June 26, 1864.

Married to WILLIAM SCRANDRITT BARKER, March 15, 1888,
who died Dec. 25, 1892.

Residence, Philadelphia.

e 1. RICHARD BARKER, born Dec. 8, died Dec. 29, 1889.

e 2. KATHARINE MARIE BARKER, born Dec. 2, 1890.

e 3. ELEANOR BARKER, born Dec. 27, 1891.

d 4. KATHARINE EWING MACKEOWN, born Feb. 17, 1867.

Married to DR. WILLIAM STELL NEWCOMET, April 22, 1897.

Residence, Philadelphia.

d 5. WILLIAM DUDLEY MACKEOWN, born March 2, 1869,
died July 1, 1872.

c 8. LOUISA FRANCES MCCOMBS, born Feb. 14, 1835, died April
23, 1853.

c 9. ANNA LINDA MCCOMBS, born Dec. 21, 1837, died July 13, 1839.

NOTE.—On page 37, last paragraph, it should be Mr. William Gazzam.

Elizabeth McCombs Family.

ELIZABETH McCOMBS FAMILY.

b 4. ELIZABETH McCOMBS.

Born September 22, 1782, died in Poland, Ohio, July 15, 1805.

Married to JAMES ADAIR,

June 14, 1803.

c 1. JOHN ADAIR, born April 19, 1804, died March 6, 1847.

Married to JANE CROW.

John Adair moved to Iowa, possibly Oskaloosa, with his wife. I have written to many persons connected with James Adair's lineage but thus far have found no trace of John's descendants. It has been difficult to follow the families who settled west and south-west of Ohio. From information received from Mrs. Julia Adair Davidson, Mt. Jackson, Pa., it is stated that James Adair was again married to Mary McCord on the same day of the month as that of his marriage to Elizabeth, namely, June 14, 1808. I met Mrs. Wright Adair, who married a son of James by his second wife, in Youngstown, O., in the fall of 1864. Had I the work which I am now publishing prepared at that particular time, it would, no doubt, have been an easy task to trace the family of Elizabeth McCombs. If it is possible in future time to give a continuation, a leaf will be printed and gummed on the edge that it may be attached to this page. The graves of James and Elizabeth are at the right of the entrance to the Poland Presbyterian churchyard.

Isaac McCombs Family.

ISAAC McCOMBS FAMILY.

b 5. ISAAC McCOMBS.

Born February 15, 1784, died in Poland township, Ohio, Aug. 18, 1847.

About 5 feet 11 inches, florid complexion and light hair. Lived in Poland township and owned a farm near his father's homestead. Isaac and his father and mother, also his brothers William, Robert and James and sister Elizabeth were among the original members of the Poland Presbyterian Church, organized May 3, 1802, by Rev. William Wick, pastor of the congregations of Youngstown and Hopewell, and a member of the Erie Presbytery. William (c 1, son of John, b 3,) McCombs was also pastor of this church in 1837. He was well known throughout this section and much respected by his fellowmen.

Married to MARGARET FORBES, (deceased,) *1814.

Children:

c 1. JOHN STEWART McCOMBS, born *1816, died Sept. 12, 1868, aged 52 years, 3 months, 19 days.

Lived on the original homestead of his grand-parents. The bible of his immediate family was destroyed by fire in Missouri several years ago which makes it impossible to give a full history except to approximate some of the years.

Married to SALLIE BUCHANAN, *1840, who died Feb. 25, 1880.

d 1. ISAAC A. McCOMBS, born Sept. 13, 1842.

Married to ANNIE E. WILSON, Dec. 2, 1873.

Residence, Carrollton, Mo.

e 1. EDITH McCOMBS, born Dec. 19, 1874.

e 2. IZA S. McCOMBS, born May 20, 1878.

d 2. JAMES H. McCOMBS, born June 14, 1845, died April 5, 1882.

d 3. REBECCA M. McCOMBS, born May 2, 1848.

Married to — PALMER, (supposed to be in Chicago.)

e 1 A child.

d 4. JOHN STEWART McCOMBS, born July 12, 1853.

Married to MARY POLLOCK, *1877.

Residence, Ellsworth, Kansas.

e 1. MATTIE McCOMBS, born Feb. 13, 1879.

e 2. ETHEL McCOMBS, born Sept. 30, 1885.

e 3. JOHN P. McCOMBS, born Feb. 24, 1890.

e 4. HELEN McCOMBS, born May 3, 1893.

d 5. FRANK FORBES McCOMBS, born June 17, 1850, died Jan. 7, 1887.

d 6. EDWARD McCOMBS, born Nov. 17, 1855.

Married to PAULINE REIGER, *1886.

Residence, Wakenda, Mo.

e 1. ADA M. McCOMBS, born March 7, 1888.

e 2. ALICE A. McCOMBS, born Aug. 5, 1889.

e 3. FRANK S. McCOMBS, born Sept. 8, 1891, died Dec. 28, 1893.

e 4. LEWIS J. McCOMBS, born March 19, 1893.

e 5. JOHN P. McCOMBS, born April 3, 1895.

d 7. SETH McCOMBS, born July 29, 1858.

Married to ADDIE SAUSTRA.

Residence, Wakenda, Mo.

c 2. MARGARET McCOMBS, born *1818, died in Poland.

c 3. NANCY McCOMBS, born *1820, died in Poland.

James McCombs Family.

JAMES McCOMBS FAMILY.

b 6. JAMES McCOMBS.

Born May 1, 1786, died Aug. 23, 1848.

About 5 feet 11 inches, 180 pounds, dark complexion. Owned a farm three-fourths of a mile south of his brother Robert, adjoining the farm of William C. McConnell, in Weathersfield township. A small stream called a "run," fed from springs, passed through the farm and flowed to the Mahoning river, whereby James was supplying his brother Robert with a pure stream of ever-flowing water. James built a small still which was for making liquor for medicinal purposes, such as cherry-bounce, boneset and the many remedies used in early times. After his death his son Milo lived on the farm until 1855, when he sold it to a Cleveland firm who built a railroad through it, and mined bituminous coal on this estate. James was exceedingly precise in the matter of family records, and it was from his family bible that I obtained the list of his brothers and sister in 1892. It is in the possession of John N., son of Milo, in Howland, O.

Married to ELIZABETH BEARD,

April 19, 1810, died Sept. 23, 1848.

Children:

c 1. MARTHA McCOMBS, born July 28, 1811, died May 3, 1813.

c 2. JOHN HENDERSON McCOMBS, born Feb. 13, 1814, died Dec. 23, 1886.

Was about 5 feet 10 inches, 200 pounds, broad shoulders, dark hair, heavy, full beard, prepossessing, easy in manner, and a type of a thorough business man adapted to financial matters. He spent his boyhood days on his father's farm. Went to Warren, O., when quite a young man and clerked in a store. He soon became a member of the firm of Smiths & McCombs, continuing in the dry goods and grocery business until 1866, when the firm was dissolved. He did not engage in business again until 1881, at which time he was elected cashier of the First National Bank of Warren, which position he filled to the time of his death.

Married to AMARYLLIS B. FITCH, Nov. 21, 1837.

d 1. CHARLOTTE McCOMBS, born March 22, 1847.

Married to GEORGE K. ROSS, Nov. 30, 1882.

Residence, Cleveland, O.

d 2. HELEN MCCOMBS, born Oct. 21, 1854, died Jan. 19, 1881.

Married to GEORGE K. ROSS, Dec. 24, 1878.

e 1. JOHN MCCOMBS ROSS, born Feb. 18, 1880.

c 2. MILO MCCOMBS, born Feb. 3, 1818, died June 23, 1879.

Was about 5 feet 11 inches, 280 pounds, light complexion, full beard, jovial and humorous, and was surrounded by many visitors to his large country residence in Howland, Ohio. After the farm was sold in Weathersfield Milo purchased the Dr. Seely farm on which he resided until his death. Many of the scholars attending the Blind Institute at Columbus, Ohio, made visits, during vacation, to his son James, who was a student at Columbus. After the death of Harriet, Milo was married to Rebecca Hake, but no children were born to them.

Married to HARRIET JANE NELSON, Dec. 24, 1839, died Oct. 18, '51.

Resided in Weathersfield, O.

d 1. AMARYLLIS MCCOMBS, born Oct. 6, 1840, died Oct. 24, 1842.

d 2. JOHN NELSON MCCOMBS, born June 24, 1842.

About 5 feet, 10 inches, 170 pounds, light complexion, full beard. Attended school in Weathersfield and Howland, O. Has been engaged in farming and resides on the homestead of his father at Howland.

Married to CHARLOTTE SOWERS, Oct. 4, 1870.

e 1. HARRY CALVIN MCCOMBS, born Oct. 27, 1873.

e 2. MARY BELL MCCOMBS, born Nov. 23, 1878.

d 3. ALICE E. MCCOMBS, born Nov. 12, 1843, died in *1893 at Ionia, Mich.

Was about 5 feet 6 inches, fair complexion, blue eyes, and had a very cheerful disposition, calm and self-possessed, and always had a pleasant greeting.

Married to TRACY LORY, *1870.

d 4. JAMES MCCOMBS, born (blind) June 11, 1851.

In his infancy he exhibited signs of great delight when musical instruments were played, and at about the age of eight years took lessons on the violin. James gives his early history in the following sketch:

I came to Columbus, Ohio, to attend the Ohio State School for the Blind in September, 1862, and spent the greater part of the time between that date and 1870 at this school. I studied the common branches and some of the higher ones, also music, in which I took great delight. I regard myself as being strongest as an organist and vocalist, although I do not claim artistic skill in these branches. From 1870 to 1876 I taught music in Trumbull County, Ohio, when, in September of the latter year, I was offered a position as teacher of music in the State School for the Blind which I accepted. I held this place until 1886, when I assumed the directorship of the musical department of the school, which position I now hold.

Married to ANTONIETTE C. FLOWERS, June 23, 1886.

e 1. CHARLES FLOWERS McCOMBS, born Aug. 21, 1887.

e 2. HELEN REBECCA McCOMBS, born Sept. 21, 1888.

e 3. NELSON WILBER McCOMBS, born April 20, 1890.

e 4. FREDERICK WILLIAM McCOMBS, born April 20,
died April 23, 1890.

Joseph McComb(s) Family.



Joseph W. Cornely.

NOTE.—On page 10 the date of the death of John McCombs was omitted. He died February 27, 1822, as shown on the headstone.

JOSEPH McCOMB(S) FAMILY.

b 7. JOSEPH McCOMB(S).

Born December 6, 1789, died in Pittsburgh, Pa., February 2, 1885.

Was about 5 feet 10 inches in height, 190 pounds, broad shoulders, medium complexion. I visited him at his home on Squirrel Hill in September 1871, just two weeks before the great Chicago fire, and was accompanied by James, son of Milo McCombs. Joseph is the only one of the second generation I ever met and it was the opportunity of my life, for I had longed to be with a brother of my grandfather, and elicited much information concerning his relatives. The following was partially written by the late Rev. R. C. Colmery, a son-in-law of Joseph:

When Joseph was six or eight years of age his father and family removed to Washington County, Pa., [1789] where he settled on a farm about two miles from Canonsburg on Chartiers creek, near Coe's mill and near what is known as the Morganza farm. While living there the family attended the church of Dr. McMillan, one mile south of Canonsburg. After a residence of six years in this place the family removed to Poland, Ohio, where they again settled on a farm.

During this period Joseph belonged to a military company, and during the war of 1812 the whole company went into the service of their country. When this company had been organized with seven other companies into a regiment Joseph was appointed adjutant by the colonel. The regiment first reported at Cleveland, Ohio, and from there sent to Lower Sandusky (now Fremont). While stationed at this point Joseph was appointed assistant paymaster. From this place they marched during the night on the ice, a distance of some twenty miles, to where Toledo now stands, and the next day started for Fort Meigs where they remained until their six months term of service had expired. While at Lower Sandusky Joseph volunteered to carry a message through from the commandant of that place to General Harrison who was then at Fort Meigs. His journey was during the night though he was exposed to great danger. He remained at Lower Sandusky for three months longer acting as receiving and issuing commissary for the army at that place. Some time during this three months, in the discharge of his official duties, he went on horseback up the Sandusky river to Upper Sandusky and again returned to his post.

After he was honorably discharged from the service he returned to Poland and was employed as a clerk in the store of Judge Kirtland, and remained 18 months, and afterwards was employed by a firm in Pittsburgh for three years to sell goods on equal profits, and finally estab-

lished a business for himself in Poland, on Yellow Creek, and continued the same until 1822, when he removed to Jeromeville, Wayne County, O., and founded a mercantile business in that village. His marriage to Miss Mary Jane Stone at Beaverpoint, Pa., occurred July 8, 1823, after which they rode on horseback to Jeromeville. Joseph continued in business at that place until 1840 and lived on his farm near this village up to 1859. He then sold his farm and removed to Squirrel Hill, Pittsburgh. His wife died May 28, 1864, after which he lived with his youngest daughters at the same place.

Joseph and family were connected with the Presbyterian churches at Jeromeville and East Liberty. He was a member of the famous General Assemblies of 1837-8, a member of the same body which met at Nashville, Tenn., in 1855. While at Jeromeville it was his custom to ride to Philadelphia on horseback, make his purchases and return in the same manner, which took from five to six weeks to accomplish.

Born in the same year that the Constitution of the United States was adopted, he lived under the administration of every President from Washington to Arthur. When but a small boy attending school at Pequea he witnessed a company of soldiers marching by the school house on their way to Western Pennsylvania to suppress the "whiskey rebellion." His oldest brother was captain of the company. The latter years of his life were uneventful, for he never lost his interest in his fondness for young and sprightly society, nor his scrupulous exactness in money matters. He obtained a pension for his military services and almost to the last presented himself at the pension office on the day payment was due. He carried in his pocketbook a slip of paper which enumerated no less than thirteen narrow escapes from death. The summons came to him at last while seated in his chair, with bowed head upon his breast he slept the last sleep, and it was the final passing away of the children of JOHN and ELIZABETH MCCOMBS.

Married to MARY JANE STONE, July 8, 1823.

Born Nov. 9, 1800, died May 28, 1864.

Children:

c 1. ALMYRAH MCCOMB, born August 28, 1824.

Married to WM. JOHNSTON, Oct. 23, 1845, who died May 1, 1866.

He was elected to Congress in 1863, during President Lincoln's administration. He was an attorney by profession.

Residence, Philadelphia.

d 1. MARY JANE JOHNSTON, born Nov. 18, 1846.

Married to W. S. DARLING, Sept. 6, 1871.

e 1. EDWIN AUGUSTUS DARLING, born June 29, 1872.

e 2. WILLIAM JOHNSTON DARLING, born Feb. 12, 1874,
died Sept. 2, 1874.

e 3. FRANCES ELIZABETH DARLING, born Jan. 14, 1885.

d 2. FRANCES ELIZABETH JOHNSTON, born Aug. 9, 1848,
died Nov. 17, 1870.

d 3. WILLIAM HAMPDEN JOHNSTON, born March 5, 1850.

Married to NETTIE E. DENNISON, June 29, 1871.

e 1. HARRY HAMPDEN JOHNSTON, born March 25, 1872.

d 4. PERRIE McCOMB JOHNSTON, born Oct. 30, 1852, died
March 11, 1886.

d 5. SAMUEL JOSEPH JOHNSTON, born July 2, 1855, died
July 25, 1878.

d 6. IDA KATHARINE JOHNSTON, born April 24, 1858, died
Dec. 22, 1891.

d 7. JESSIE LILLIAN JOHNSTON, born Aug. 13, 1861.

d 8. JUDSON McCOMB JOHNSTON, born Dec. 25, 1863.

c 2. LUCRETIA McCOMB, born Dec. 31, 1826, died Aug. 4, 1827.

c 3. CATHERINE McCOMB, born July 5, 1828.

Married to Rev. R. C. COLMERY, Oct. 14, 1851, who died August 21,
1896.

Was born in Chartiers towuship, Washington County, Pa., April 10, 1822. Attended Hanover College, Indiana, graduated from Washington College, Pa., in 1847 in the same class with Hon. James G. Blaine, with whom he had been on terms of intimate friendship. He then studied theology at Princeton College and graduated in 1850. After his marriage he became pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Mt. Vernon, O. He moved to Upper Sandusky, O., in 1875. Was pastor of the Presbyterian Church at that place for several years. A man of high christian character, fine education and literary talent.

d 1. MARY VIOLET COLMERY, born May 12, 1853.

d 2. CHARLES ALBERT COLMERY, born Oct. 5, 1854.

Residence, Upper Sandusky, O.

Married to SARA E. LEGHORN, Dec 22, 1886.

- e 1. KATHARINE ISABEL COLMERY, born Oct. 22, 1887.
 - e 2. MARY LOUISE COLMERY, born Jan. 11, 1890.
 - e 3. NORMAN LEGHORN COLMERY, born Aug. 23, 1893.
 - d 3. ANNA CATHARINE COLMERY, born Oct. 29, 1856.
 - d 4. ELIZABETH ALMYRAH COLMERY, born April 1, 1858,
died Feb. 6, 1859.
 - d 5. EMELINE STIBBS COLMERY, born Jan. 20, 1860, died
Aug. 25, 1888.
 - d 6. LOUISE JUDSON COLMERY, born July 12, 1862.
- Teacher in the State Institute for Deaf Mutes, Columbus, O.
- d 7. FREDERICK WILLIAM COLMERY, born March 13, 1868.
- Accountant, Natrona, Pa.
- d 8. ROBERT SCOTT COLMERY, born Oct. 10, 1870, died Nov.
21, 1891.
 - c 4. JUDSON McCOMB, born July 30, 1830.

Was born in Jeromeville, Wayne County, Ohio. At the age of 13 attended the Ashland (O.) Academy for several years. In 1848 entered the store of R. & I. Askin, at Ashland, as clerk. April 1, 1849, became one of the firm of Askin & McComb and made the first trip to New York to purchase goods. In 1850 this firm went out of business and in 1851 Judson McComb & Co. opened a new store in Ashland which was not a success and was closed out in 1853. In October, 1855, Judson entered as a partner in the firm of I. W. Robb & Co., grocers, at Wooster, O. In 1856 this firm removed to Fort Wayne, Indiana, and opened the first *exclusive* wholesale grocery house in that city and was very successful under the firms of Judson McComb, McComb & Shoaff and McComb & Co. In 1865 Judson sold his interest to Bulger & Co. and removed to Pittsburgh. He was out of business until July, 1867, when he became Manager of the Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Company's store at Natrona, Pa., and is now in the same business at this writing, a period of 30 years continuously.

Married to LOUISE McBRIDE, Oct. 23, 1851, born Dec. 30, 1830, died Sept. 19, 1889.

d 1. HARRY JUDSON McCOMB, born Nov. 21, 1852.

Married to ELLA M. YOUNG, Sept. 18, 1879, born June 13, 1859,
died July 9, 1895.

e 1. GUY RUTHERFORD McCOMB, born Aug. 26, 1880.

e 2. LOUISE ALBERTA McCOMB, born Oct. 1, 1881.

d 2. LILLIE LOUISE McCOMB, born Nov. 14, 1853.

c 3. ALBERT McCOMB, born Sept. 23, 1833, died Feb. 10, 1865.

c 7. ELIZABETH McCOMB, born Oct. 6, 1838.

c 7. MARY JANE McCOMB, born April 25, 1841.

Residence, Pittsburgh.

GENERAL REMARKS.

This book is not the volume I had expected to present as a matter of history. The principal reason assigned for its brevity is, that at the time of its inception but few of the kindred seemed to realize the great and laborious task in such a work, some were not concerned, others gave a few items, but a majority of them have done nobly and entered into the cause with a spirit worthy of commendation. In the matter of recording families in bibles as an official record, which has been held sacred for ages, I have found in researches many discrepancies caused by re-copying from the original to a second bible, which was not verified by two persons to check errors. The ink put on with a quill pen, faded, finger-marked, figures retouched, as 1, with two parallel strokes shows this 0, which was intended for the year 1831. A book containing linen or bond paper is the best for permanent records, using strong, black ink, and should be kept posted when events occur, not later on, for people *will forget—writing is a better record than memory.*

It has been my endeavor throughout this volume to be impartial in all matters, more particularly should it be so when the writer is in the line as a descendant. Having the facilities in my printing office for conducting this work, I have set every line of type, made up the same into pages for the printing press, for it required my personal attention throughout. Each individual is so fixed in my mind since the group was formed that I feel acquainted with all, and hope to continue this record perpetually by making a substantial book to be kept by historians to whom the kindred may report current events. Any errors found in this work will be noted if reported to me.

The following are corrections and additions to the pages as indicated. That portion in *italic* are *corrections*, the others are *additions*:
Pages.

- 13 William Forbes died Oct. 12, 1854.
- 15 Edwin *NELSON* McCombs.
- 15 James Jackson Forbes born June 14, 1844.
- 15 John Nelson McCombs died April 4, 1886.
- 16 Edwin Congden Brown born June 9, 1891.
- 16 Frank A. *WEISS*, not McCombs.
- 16 Carl H. *WEISS*, not McCombs.
- 19 James Holmes McCombs died Sept. 5, 1844.
- 20 Harriet Amanda McConnell, born Aug. 7, 1855.
- 22 Paul William McConnell born Nov. 17, 1891.
- 31 Eben *McCOMBS* Blachly.
- 31 Grace Minerva McCombs born Nov. 21, 1867.
- 33 e 2. James Ralph Willbite, born April 14, 1897.
- 53 d 3. Rebecca M. McCombs first married to J. W. Walker.
 - e 1. James Walker, born May 24, 1880.

RELATIONSHIP.

The letter b¹ prefixed to the names of an immediate family denotes brothers and a sister; c, d, e and f applies to each successive immediate family in the same manner. The grand children of your own grand parents, (outside of your own family,) are first cousins. The relationship of yourself to the other families is as shown by the following comparisons, the reverse order of nephew or niece being understood:

a is to b—father.

a is to c—grandfather.

a is to d—great-grandfather.

a is to e—great-great-grandfather.

a is to f—great-great-great-grandfather.

b is to b—first cousin.

b is to c—second cousin—uncle or aunt.

b is to d—third cousin—great-uncle or great-aunt.

b is to e—fourth cousin—great-great-uncle or great-great-aunt.

b is to f—fifth cousin—great-great-great-uncle or great-great-great-aunt.

c is to c—second cousin.

c is to d—third cousin—uncle or aunt.

c is to e—fourth cousin—great-uncle or great-aunt.

c is to f—fifth cousin—great-great-uncle or great-great-aunt.

d is to d—second cousin.

d is to e—third cousin—uncle or aunt.

d is to f—fourth cousin—great-uncle or great-aunt.

e is to e—second cousin.

e is to f—third cousin—uncle or aunt.

f is to f—second cousin.

Showing the day of any week between the years 1753 and 1952. Find the year, move to the right for the month; in this column the figure denotes the week column. Find the day of the month; on this line is the day of the week sought. July 4th, 1776, occurred on Thursday.

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